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TAGS: CASC, PFOR, VS

SUBJ: AMERICAN AND OTHER FOREIGN PRISONERS IN SVN

REF: A) STATE 130968 B) STATE 130969

1. EMBASSY REVIEWED UPI REPORT FROM SAIGON OF JUNE 4 BY ALAN DAWSON (REFTELS) WITH DFA JUNE 5. (SUBSTANCE OF REPORT HAD BEEN CARRIED WIDELY IN AUSTRALIAN MEDIA JUNE 5.) DFA INFORMED US THAT AUSTRALIAN AMBASSADOR TO DRV, DAVID WILSON, HAD REVIEWED STATUS OF AUSTRALIAN PRISONER, PETER WHITLOCK, WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRG REP IN HANOI JUNE 3. PRG REP CONFIRMED THAT WHITLOCK

WAS ALIVE AND WELL AND SAID HE WOULD TRY TO EXPEDITE HIS  
DEPARTURE FROM SOUTH VIET-NAM.

2. COMMENT: DFA DID NOT HAVE FULL LIST OF NAMES OF OTHER  
FOREIGN PRISONERS CAPTURED AT BEN ME THUOT, AND WILSON DID  
NOT RAISE MATTER OF THEIR STATUS. HOWEVER, BELIEVE AUSTRALIANS  
MAY BE WILLING TO MAKE INQUIRY INTO THEIR STATUS IF DEPT  
WOULD PROVIDE US WITH LIST, WITH DATES AND PLACES OF  
BIRTH, TO MAKE IDENTIFICATION CERTAIN.  
GREEN

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